storing in the communication terminal both a terminal address individually allocated in the communication network and a system address designating the switching system associated with the communication terminal;

implementing subscriber interfaces for connecting the communication

5   terminal to the communication network via hubs connected to the communication network;

transmitting, when the communication terminal is connected to a subscriber interface, a configuration message containing the terminal address from a relevant hub to the switching system determined by reference to the system

10   address stored in the communication terminal; and

determining the network access address via the configuration message.

9.   A method for determining a network access address for transmitting messages from a switching system to a communication terminal as

15   claimed in claim 8, the method further comprising the step of:

storing the network access address determined together with the terminal address in the switching system wherein the communication terminal is considered to be registered at the switching system.

20   10.   A method for determining a network access address for transmitting messages from a switching system to a communication terminal as claimed in claim 9, the method further comprising the step of:

transmitting at least one of an identification number and a password to the switching system from the communication terminal for registering the

25   communication terminal at the switching system.

11.   A method for determining a network access address for transmitting messages from a switching system to a communication terminal as claimed in claim 8, wherein, if the allocation of the communication terminal is